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SUBJECT: EC STEEL EXPORTS: UK URGES RESTRAINT

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1. THE BRITISH STEEL CORPORATION HAS PUBLICLY APPEALED TO STEEL PRODUCERS IN OTHER EC COUNTRIES TO RESTRAIN EXPORTS TO THE US. OBVIOUSLY REACTING TO THE SHARP COMPLAINTS OF US STEEL PRODUCERS OVER JULY SURGE IN IMPORTS FROM THE COMMUNITY, THE COMMERCIAL DIRECTOR OF BSC, GORDON SAMBROOK, SAID IN A STATEMENT TO THE PRESS THAT IF THE PRESENT HIGH LEVEL OF EC EXPORTS TO THE US IS SUSTAINED THE AMERICANS WILL BE FORCED TO RESPOND WITH RETALIATORY MEASURES.

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2. THIS TYPE OF STATEMENT IS EASY FOR BSC TO MAKE AT THE PRESENT TIME BECAUSE UK JULY EXPORTS TO THE US WERE ABOUT THE SAME AS THE JUNE FIGURE AND BELOW THE AVERAGE MONTHLY TONNAGE FOR THE FIRST HALF OF 1978. GOVERNMENT AND BSC OFFICIALS WE HAVE TALKED TO ARE INCREASINGLY SENSITIVE TO THE MOUNTING PRESSURE FROM THE AMERICAN INDUSTRY AND CAN BE EXPECTED TO

URGE RESTRAINT IN THE VARIOUS EUROPEAN GROUPS CONCERNED WITH STEEL. THEY HAVE PROMISED A QUICK RESPONSE TO PROVIDING THE DATA REQUESTED REFTEL.

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